HOME NEWS.

THE CITY. The wife of Mr. John Rapp died suddenly yesterday, at No. 529 Ninth-ave.

The midnight mail from Hartford to this city not to be discontinued, as reported. A child named Helen Ringgold died suddenly

We are indebted to Capt. Bocande, of the At the meeting of the Board of Fire Commis-

The Demilt Literary Association promises an universary entertainment at Dodworth Hall, on Friday

Mr. John T. Doyle is to give what is termed "Three-leaved Irish Entertainment" at Irving Hall, on Saturday evening. The shoemakers have been on a strike for the

net ten days, and some 600 men are idle, in a proposed reduction in wages of 20 per co The steamtug J. M. Lewis was sold at anction resterday for \$5,500. She is 102 tuns burthen, 120 feet long, 134 feet beam, 64 feet deep, and draws four feet of

The annual ball of the Teutonia Mannerchor will be given to night at the Academy of Music. The several Committees have completed arrangements to insere a successful anniversary.

Commissioner Acton sat yesterday afternoon to hear complaints by citizens against poncemen. Two or three cases were called, but the complainants failed to appear, and they were adjourned.

In a fight, on Tuesday night, at the corner of Eleventh-ave, and Fifty-seventh-st., between Patrick Stafford and Matthew Farley, the former struck Farley with a loaded billy on the head, inflicting an ugly wound.

Both men were arrested. Anne Bond, the domestic who was burned on needay night, at the residence of Dr. Elmer, No. 56 West wenty-flith-st., died vesterday at Bellevue Hospital, the burns received by Dr. Elmer on the face and ands, while attempting to extinguish the flames, are not

The mounds of snow which the railroad com panies have piled on either side of the tracks, in Printing House-square, upact a horse and cart yesterday morning and, as the cart was left resting or, the hub of one of the wheels, it was with no little difficulty that the horse wa

The Hon. William J. McAlpine, formerly State Engineer, will lecture before the Polytechnic branch of the American Institute, in Cooper Institute, this evening, on "Foundations," especially with piles of wood and iron, and the various methods of driving the latter to great depths.

An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner Rollins, at Bellevne Hospital, over the body of a male infant found in the alley-way of No. 187 Hester-st. A post mortem examination revealed the fact that death was caused by exposure and neglect, and a verdict to that effect was rendered by the jury. The Third Union Cooperative Building So

city, organized last week at Farmer's Institute, No. 49 addow-st., premises to outstrip its kindred associations the rapidity of its growth. Already shares amounting over \$4.5.00 have been taken up, and applications are ally increasing for admission to membership. The steamer Manhattan of the New-York and

Coroner Schirmer, yesterday, at No. 99 Sixth Coroner Schiffner, yesteriay, at No. 35 Sixin ave., took the ante-mortem deposition of Francis Heiner, who stated that on the 18th uit, while near the Lutherau Cemetery at East New-York, he, having cut a twig, was necosted by two unknown men in an insulting manner, and one of the men smatched Hefner's knife from his state of the men smatched Hefner's knife from his day, coming a day, cross

The arrangement now in use on the New-York The arrangement now in use on the News 1 of and New Haven Read for taking up the mail bags has been found not to work satisfactorily. On a recent occasion the mail bag, instead of being picked up, was knocked under the train and ground up by the wheels. An invention has been in use in England for some time, by which the mail bags at every station are swept off the bar upon which they hang, with invariable certainty.

On application of Blatchford, Seward & Griswoid, in behalf of the American Exchange Bank, Judge Brady of the Court of Common Pleas yesterday issued an order of arrest holding Theodore M. Vultee, the assistant cashier of the American Exchange Bank, to bail in the snin of \$50,000. Vultee's defalcations are said to amount to \$60,000, for which amount this action is brought. Proceedings will also be taken to prosecute examination.

Coroner Rollins, yesterday, at Bellevne Hospital, concluded the inquest over the body of Albert Garagnen, who, ou Monday, attempted to marder a domestic named Sophic Worlt, at the residence of Henry Strauss, No. 141 West Thirteenth-st, and, failing in that, committed sucide by cutting his throat. No testimony additional to that published yesterday was elected, and a verdict of suicide was rendered. Deceased was a native of Germany, aged 42 years.

There was a large attendance of both server.

There was a large attendance of both sexes There was a large attendance of both sexes at Olivet Chapel last evening to assist at the second aniversary of the Union Debating Society. The exercises consisted of singing with plane accompaniment, addresses, recitations, orations, essays, and readings, and the young men and women engaged in these acquitted themselves most circlitably. The latter appeared to the term of the palm, and the vigor with which the male pertion of the andience applauded them and tramped the floor was honorable alike to heels and hands and hearts and heads. and heads.

Mr. Faul Du Chaillu begins a series of lec-tores at Steinway Hall on Monday evening next. The subject of the first lecture is "The Gorilla and Its Habits; the Gibtoon, Ourang-Outang, Chimpanzee, Gorilla, and their affinity to man." The second lecture is to be given on Wednesday evening next, and includes "A Journey to the Cannibal country, Elephant Hunting, Serpents, etc., Cape Lopez and the Slave Barraccons." On the fol-lowing Friday evening the third lecture of the Course is promised. Subject, "The Negro Tribes of Equatorial Africa." Mr. Paul Du Chaillu begins a series of lec-

Several owners and agents of tenement-Several owners and agents of tenement-houses who have disregarded the requirements of the Tenement-House law, in neglecting to provide fire-escapes and other improvements, were yesterday presented by Superintendent McGregor, before the Supreme Court, and Judge Barnard has returned him notices to cause the work to be done, making the bills accruing a lieu upon the buildings. The agent of three of the houses presented, Nos. 242, 244, and 245 Monroc-st., containing 25 families, comprising some 410 persons, is Mr. Schaffer, the Vice-President of the Tenement-House Association, organized or the purpose of opposing improvements in tenement

A mutilated United States note, if less than A mutilated United States note, if less than ene-twentieth of the note is missing, can be redeemed on presentation to any of the Sab-Treasurers; but if more than one-twentieth of the note is gone, and there is no proof that the missing portion has been destroyed, the fragment can be redeemed only at the Treasury in Washington, where the proportionate value will be given, reckoulng by twentieths. So, also, with compound interest and other interest-bearing notes of the Government. Unrantilated fractional currency, when properly asserted, and in sums less than \$5, will be redeemed by eny of the Assistant-Treasurers of the Government. When mutilated, the same rule holds as for United States notes. A National bank, however, is bound to redeem its mutilated notes on demand, in lawful money, if it has no reason to believe that the missing portions of the note can be used to defraud. If the banks, in redeeming the notes, allow full value for them, the Controller will also allow full value for them, the Controller will also allow full value for them, the Controller will also allow full value for them, the Controller will also

The patrons of the Relief Bureau of the "Soldiers' and Sailors' Agency" have decided to distribute, upon the occasion of Washington's Birthday, on the 2d inst., some relief among the most needy of our disabled veteraus and their families, and also the widows, orphans, and heirs of deceased soldiers and sailors. Owing to the necessitions condition of that most interesting class of people, during the present severe Winter, there will be no entertainment, as on previous occasions, but a distribution of more substantial relief, consisting of one week's provisions for each applicant found entitled to it. Five hundred tickets of admission for relief are now ready for delivers by Col. Hendon, Manager of the Agency, at No. 128 Canal-st., corner of Bowery, to applicate in person, who raust produce proper credentials, such as pension or discharge papers, or other official decuments. The tickets will be issued on Thursday, Friday, and Saiurday of this week, and on Menday, Thursday, and Friday of the next from 10 a.m., to 3 p. m. Persons desirous of contributing to this charitable object can send their denations, either of provisions of any kind, or of money, the former to the Manager of the Soldiers' Agency, and the latter to Jay Cooke & Co., or Saxton, Raymond & Co., Bankers, in Wall-st., or to F. C. Field, esq., Receiving Teller of the United States Assistant Treasurer of this city. The patrons of the Relief Bureau of the

BROOKLYN .- James Maloy, the proprietor BROOKLY N.—James Maloy, the proprietor of a livery stable in South Brooklyn, was brought before Justice Delmar yesterday on the charge of so neglecting his horses as to leave their in a starving condition. Dull times, and a lack of fodder in consequence, is given as the cause. He was held for examination.

A lecture is to be delivered this evening at the rooms of the Catholic Library Institution, corner of Court and Jeralemon sts., by Mr. Thomas Kensilia.

William Skiddy Wood, A. M., is to lecture; this evening, on "The Criminal Institutions of Now-York," before the Ladies' F. M. T. A. B. S., No. 7 Eent-ave.

The Gowanus Canal Commissioners have cleated the Hon. W. D. Veedor, Surrogate of the County, to the vacancy in the Commission, caused by the death of Mr. James Booth.

The regular monthly meeting of the Young

Men's Christian Association was held on Tuesday even-ing, when Mr. Sidney Wintringham, jr., read an essay on "Man, Know Thyself." The fourth sale of property for non-payment of water taxes for the year 1831 took place yesterday at the City Hall. The flux sale of plots of land still madisposed of will take place next weex.

Joseph Woods was yesterday sent to the House of Refuge by Justice Voorbies for having disturbed the congregation of the African Methodist Episcopal Church by firing off a pistol during service.

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The residence of Peter Corcoran, in Nevinsst., near Unionst, was folonlously entered on the morning of the 11th inst., and robbed of 3575 in United States currency, a gold watch, valued at \$560, and two chains, worth \$6. The actions of two men, named John S. Welah mad Alexander Alien, since the robbery, excited suspiction against them, and on Tuesday night they were arrested. They were taken before Justice Dolmar yesterday and committed for examination.

The Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, W. D., in his annual report, recommends an increase of the number of steam fire engines in the Western District, and that the hand engines be abolished and steamers sub-stituted in their stead. The force of the Department at present consists of one chief engineer, soven assistant angineers, and 1.420 men. The Department is divided into

ten steam fire engines, six hand engines, 12 hose companies, and six hook and ladder companies. About 26,000 feet of hose are in use in the Department. The Chief Engineer complains of the defiant manner in which fire wardens are received in the performance of their duties, and says that the violation of the law regulating the construction of buildings is of frequent occurrence. He besteves that the remedy for this hes in giving the warden power to stop the work on buildings until such time as it is carried out in accordance with the requirements of the law.

An inquest was commenced yesterday by Coroner Smith over the body of Henry Conklin, who died at his residence in Frospect'st. on Sunday last, from the effect of injuries inflicted, as alleged, by Peter Conners. The evidence elicited was to the effect that deceased was at work at a building in Warren-st., near Nevins-st., on the 6th of September last, when Conners ran in for protection, an assault having been made upon him by some men and boys. He there met deceased, who desired him to leave. Conners refused, whereupon high words were exchanged, and, as alleged, prisoner seized an adze, and, striking Conklin on the head, inflicted injuries from the effects of which he died. Edward Kelly testified to having seen the crowd chase the prisoner to the building, and seeing them throw stones at him. Conners remained in the building four or five minutes, when he left. Mrs. Eliza Conklin, sister of deceased, deposed that her brother, after being injured, told her that Conners struck him with the adze, and several times since heard him say that Conners had murdered him. At this stage of the proceedings the further examination of the case was adjourned until Tuesday next.

STATEN ISLAND.—Catherine Dolan, a ser-An inquest was commenced yesterday

STATEN ISLAND.—Catherine Dolan, a ser-wart in Mr. John Pendleton's family, in New-Brighton, died of burns yesterday morning, her clothing having accidentally taken fire on Tuesday night.

LAFAYETTE .- The "Neighborhood" prayer neeting will be held this evening at the house of Mr Hillyer, corner of Halliday and Maple-sts. All are in NEVERSINK .- As the Tuesday night express

train on the Hudson River Railroad was passing through the Highlands, a huge mass of fee which had become de-tached from the cliff overhead, descended upon two of the passenger cars, crushing the roofs, and causing a panic among the passengers, two of whom were severely injured. The train was not detained. YONKERS .- John L. Obest was on Tuesday

kked up in Yonkers by the police, completely exhausted im hunger and fatigue. When taken to the Station use he was attacked with fits. After recovering he attinued his walk to Lansingburgh, a journey he had dertaken from this city without money or friends.

FISHKILL LANDING.—On Saturday last the child of a Mrs. Ager, who lives in the family of Mr. W. Spaight, editor of *The Standard*, was so severely urned that it died the next day. POUGHKEEPSIE. — An extensive revival of religion is in progress at the Hedding M. E. Church, the Rev. W. C. Smith, pastor. During the past two months over 200 people have professed conversion, and 160 have been received in the church. The good work is

KINGSTON .- A meeting of citizens was held KINGSTON.—A meeting of citizens was held at the Court-House on Friday evening to consider the claims of the Wallkill Valley Railroad, and a committee appointed to report a plan of action for securing stock subscriptions. Kingsten is already bonded for \$600,000 for the Oswego and RondoutRailroad...Dr. Brown, of Kingston, was sent to fail last week in default of \$3,000 bail on a charge of seduction, but compromised by paying \$300. Since his release, five or aix women, the local paper states, have declared their intention of prosecuting him for the same offense, and the coroner has been petitioned to reopen the investigation of the death of the late wife of Dr. Brown... Work was suspended for two days this week on the Wallkill Valley Railroad on account of the great depth of snow.

MODENA.—A spirited railroad meeting has been held to consider the feasibility of uniting with Newburgh in building the Newburgh, New-Paltz and Kingston Railroad. Thos. Hait, esq., presided, and Dr. Hasbronck acted as Secretary. The meeting was addressed by Homer Ramsdell and by delegations from Newburgh and New-Paltz. Resolutions were adopted in favor of energetic measures for raising the necessary stock and bonding the towns along the line of the proposed railroad.

irt of Quarter Sessions eight persons were tried for seny, six of whom were found guilty; one, tried for e pretences, was acquitted; two, for assault and bat-t, were found guilty, and one, for same, acquitted.

tery, were found guilty, and one, for same, acquitted.

HOBOKEN.—The Hudson County Grand Jury have found a bill of indictment against Daniel Toffey & Horace N. Conger, proprietors of a slaughter-house in Hoboken, on the road leading to Hudson City, charging them with maintaining a nusance. The indictment sets forth that the accused parties unlawfully and injuriously caused and permitted the excrements, blood, entrails, and other fifth coming from the said cattle, sheep, and swine, to be and remain near to the public street, and near to dwelling-houses of citizens, for a long time, thus causing unwholesome smells and steaches, affecting and near to dwelling houses of chiracs, for any time, that causing unwholesome smells and strucker, affecting and corrupting the air to the damage, nuisance, and discomfort of the citizens. One of the proprietors of the concern. Daniel Toffey, was arrested and taken before the Court yesterday, when he plead not guilty to the charge, and entered into recognizance to appear for trial... The proposed Hudson River West Shore Eaffroad will, when considered, onen another important route of trayel beproposed Husson Kive West Short Lainton with, who completed, open another important route of travel between New-York and the West. The route of the proposed road is along the west bank of the river from Hoboken to Athens, where it will connect with a road which tops the Central at Schenectady, making the line 2s miles shorter than that by Albany. A connection with the proposed Midland Road at Newburgh, will form a courte from New York to Chesgo, 8s miles sherter than proposed Midnand to Chicago, 85 miles shorter than

sensible near the Hackensack Bridge, from drugging, partially recovered on Tuesday night, and gives his name as David Ros. He says he has been a companion of the other two men who robbed him. All three men are supposed to be deserters from the army. They are still retained in custody. HACKENSACK .- The man found lying in-

as David Roe. He says he has been a companion of the other two men who robbed him. All three man are supposed to be deserters from the army. They are still related in custody.

NEWARK.—The Institute of Biblical and Literary Inquiry of the Newark Conference, held a meding, on Tuesday, in the Hedding M. E. Church, when Dr. James Strong delivered a lecture on the "Song of Solomon," Dr. Carry on the "Temptation of Christ," the Rev. T. H. Landon on "Lost Israel," and the Rev. J. M. Buckley on "Church Discipline."..... The County Prosecutor of Essex County has entered a note processor. In the Landon on "Lost Israel," and the Rev. J. M. Buckley on "Church Discipline.".... The County Prosecutor of Essex County has entered a note processor. At the time of the men charged with have fine the same charged with have for the county Jail, as a witness, she has exhibited the most indecent behavior. She has been discharged from custody, together with the men charged with the offence.... Government officers have selized the wholesale and retail Confectionary establishment of J. W. H. Cummings, No. 276 Broadest, on account of alleged violation of the revenue laws? The returns of the establishment were found to be incorrect, and the deficiency is believed to be very large. The business of the house has not been interfered with, but a toxicine of the place. The start of the Chummings of T., held on Monday night, a resolution was adopted expressing approbation at the course taken by Major Paddi in the enforcement of the Sunday liquoriaw. Philip Melnies and Esger McCornick were arraigned before Justice Sandford on charges of stealing sait hay to the value of over-site in different loss, from John Bedell, Anthony Kurgessner, and Philip Huffmaxel. The evidence elletted from the several parties who were examined was deemed sufficient to hold the mon to bad in the sum of two cach for apparance of the Poore, during the part work. The transfer of the Courts. The Government of the Courts. The Government of William Courts, when the half of p NEWARK .- The Institute of Biblical and

PATERSON.-The Paterson and Columbia ELIZABETH.-The Rev. George W. Clark

of the First Baptist Church will preach his farewell sor-mon on Sunday, the 23d inst. He is to become paster of a large congregation at Boleton, N. Y. NEW-BRUNSWICK.—A temperance meeting was held on Monday eyening in the Second Presbyterian Church, under the auspices of Stet Division No. 43, Sons and Daughters of Temperance. The Rev. R. R. Meredith of Newark, and the Rev. Mr. Snyder, Agent of the State Temperance Association, addressed the meeting.

[Announcements.] "CURTAINS, No. 447 Broadway.
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Dropsy.-There is no disease in which the

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"H. J. B.," Adams Center, Jefferson County. N. Y .- The New-Orleans Republican, or The New-Orleans Tribune (Freedmen's organ), and The Savannah Republi can..." Violinist," Clifton Springs-Try Wenzel Kopta" An Inquirer After Truth," Paterson-The Marquis of Westminster "G. D."-Sec. 157 Code of Sanitary Ordinances: "That no person, being the lessee, manager, conductor, or owner of any theater, shall cause, or ermit, or allow the same, or any part or appurtenance thereof, to be so far overcrowded, or inadequate, faulty, or insufficient, in respect of strength, ingress, or egress, cleanliness, ventilation, or in any other particular, as that thereby, or by reason thereof, any needless peril shall come or happen to, or be incurred or suffered by any person being properly at or in any such theater." This is the only law on the subject.

MUSIC.

TROVATORE AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC. The reopening of the opera-house in Irvingplace, and the return of our well-remembered favorites, La Grange, Brigneh, and Miss Phillips, to the scenes of their early triumphs, was celebrated last night by one of those rare good audiences, imposing in numbers, radiant in gay costume, and prodigal of applause, such as it is a genuine pleasure to look upon. Mr. Strakosch, in leaving Pike's new theater, has not, as some feared he would, left his prosperity behind him. The crowd which be, sieges his doors in the old opera-house proves that the attraction in the new one was not the splendor and freshness of the building, but the excellence of the singers familiar faces of the habitues of the Academy, rarely or never seen on the other side of the town, are once more radiant in the lobbies and bloom in the balcony. The boxes rustle with the accustomed silks, and once more the rippling smile runs around the rows of pretty faces. The welcome extended to the popular artists has been as cordial and as substantial under the auspices of the stockholders as under those of Mr. Pike, and the omens point thus far to a successful season. The performance last night was admirable. La Grange, Brignoli, and Miss Phillips are so well known in "Trovatore" that criticism on their singing would be superfluous. They are the best representatives of their respective parts whom we have ever seen. Brignoli had an inspiriting reception from his many old friends, and to see his graceful form staggering under nosegays, and poitely struggling with La Grange to modestly cast off the honor of the scene was a sight worth at least the price of a reserved seat. He was in fine voice, and well deserved his abundant laurels. Orlandini was unusually good as Di Luna, and his Il balen called forth an enthusiastic encore. He lacks the rotundity of voice to which we are some what accustomed in the belligerent Count, but his tones are agreeable and sufficiently strong, and he is an artist of admirable culture. The chorus and orchestra have both been enlarged; the former has improved by the change, and the latter has done just the reverse. The principal efforts of Mr. Nicolai, the conductor, were apparently to drown all the voices, in which he often suc ceeded; and to keep the chorns and the instruments to gether, in which he often did not succeed.

"Rigoletto" will be performed on Friday, and "Travista" at the Saturday matinee, and the "Ballo in Mas chera" will be revived on Monday, with La Grange and Miss Phillips in the chief parts. All the resources of the wardrobe will be called into requisition on this interesting occasion.

Sir: In your valuable article of this morning mittled "The Jarves Collection of Early Italian Pic-tures," one error occurs which I beg leave to point out. "The whole negotiation for the transfer and settlement of the pictures was managed as between the college and Mr. Jarves" not by me, but by Mr. Luther Maynard

Mr. Jarves" not by me, sut by Mr. Lutter Mayhard Jones.

Mr. Jarves came to America from Florence last Spring to dispose dually of his collection. He could have had but little hope that any public institution in America would care enough for early Italian art to buy his pictures; but he kindly waited while the experiment should be made once more. I applied to several educational institutions, in each case calling for aid upon those who could best aid me. It was mainly due to Mr. Jones that the application to Yale was successful, and he did the actual business of the transfer. Mr. Jarves himself arranged them in the gailery, and I am at work upon a catalogue, which will soon be ready.

Very sincerely yours, Russell Stunois, Jr. No. 28 Broadway, New York, Feb. 12, 1868.

THE DRAMA.

LITTLE BAREFORT AT THE OLYMPIC.

cause of her aweetness, her goodness, and her extraordinary animal spirite—very extraordinary, indeed, as
interpreted by Miss Maggie Mitchell, who is all action
and lightness, like a dancing sunheam. To see her in
this character is to see a merry, loving, self-sacrificing
little creature, conscious of her surroundings—as sensitive
youth ever is—alone in the world, but for a half-witted
brother, making the beat of an humble let in life, but
hungering for that love and joy which, seem the natural
rights of youth. As Tennyson aptly says:

"If Nature does put forth her power in this remarkably vivacious piece of characterization. Throughout a five-act
play—which has little action, no striking incident, no
especial novelty of plot, no particular felicity of diction
—Little Harefood laughs and dances, loves, and hopes, and
tolls, and now and then weepe, but is pretty merry all the
way, and is rewarded with happiness at last. The spectacle of her humble experiences and simple emotions is
very pleasant. If it does not greatly impress the mind,
at least it momentarily soothes away care, and gently
creeps into the heart. We are sorry for the poor child's
little distresses, and glad in her little joys. Miss Mitchell
interprets both with a good deal of naturalness.
Her pathos does, indeed, seem forced, now and
then—as when she jerks out those allusions to the
parents who have gone to the long rest. And then,
too, she will indulge in that distastefal nasal whine,
which many people mistake and applaud for humor.
Cultivation of the voice is what this actress
most needs; and she would be a better artist if she would
but give her personations the great benefit of more light
and shade. There is a kind of flower which bursts and
files into pieces the moment it is touched. Miss
Margie Mitchell suggests the Prince Rupert's
prop. in perpetual action. But, as we said
the other day, she has greatly improved of
late; and we are very glad of that, for she is very
popular, and has it in her power to do a great deal of
good, by diff

DRAMATIC NOTES. Mr. Murdoch will give his last entertainment to-night, at Steinway Hall.

The favorite play of "Ours" will be repeated at Wallack's Theater to-night. "Pauline" was again acted last night, to a good house, and will be repeated on Saturday.

At the French Theater, this evening, the performance will consist of "La Supplice d'une Femme" and "La Fille de Dominique." Mile. Reillez will enact Miss Lizzie Willmore has resumed her part in the "White Fawn," at Niblo's Garden. Her reappear-ance was made on Monday. Mr. Mark Smith is retained in the theatrical company, as a member of the reserve

Miss Olive Logan's entertainment is to be given at Dodworth's Hall. Wednesday evening, the 19th inst., will witness its beginning. Miss Logan will lecture on "Life Behind the Scenes." A unique exhibition may be anticipated.

Lotta's popularity remains unabated. The Broadway Theater is crowded nightly. What with the prettiness of Little Nell, the deviltry of the Marchioness, Secietier's grandiloquence, Quijp's mischlef, and Lotta's clog-dance and banjo-solo, the entertainment is amply various; and, to the lovers of sport, is thoroughly enjoy-solo

A male infant, about one week old, was found last evening at the door of J. H. Nicholas, No. 304 East Pifteenth-st. It was cent to Police Hendquarters.

THE WEATHER.

The extreme cold and the sharp frost that

we have experienced during the past fortnight has attracted universal attention to this subject. From all

accounts our sufferings here are not to be put on a par

with those experienced by our Eastern and Western friends, who, if all reports be true, might be as comfort-

able in the regions of the North pole as in the more civil-

COMPARISON WITH PAST YEARS-HARLEM RIVER FROZEN OVER - IMPEDIMENTS TO FERRY BOATS-ICE IN THE SOUND.

ized districts of Wisconsin and Minnesota. We do not all suffer though, as to some this weather is a great source of delight and recreation The votaries of Winter sports cannot complain, more especially the skaters, who ought to be very grateful to their patron saint, Father Frost, for the liberal manner in which he has treated them. There has been a good deal of grumbling among the proprietors of skating-ponds, at the unsettled state of the weather during the them are the continually at the latest and the statest of the weather during the proprietors of skating-ponds, at the unsettled state of the weather during the proprietors of skating-ponds, at the unsettled state of the weather during the proprietors of skating-ponds, at the unsettled states are not similar; at it, there are as many grumblers at the continual the streets, who are perpetually slipping and sliding about, and who require the quilibrium of a rope-dancer to keep their footing, quite conterbolance to keep their footing, quite conterbolance for the skept their footing, quite conterbolance for the skept their footing, quite conterbolance for the skept their footing, quite conterbolance as they are necessarily very crowded, more especially between 1 and 7 in the evening, when it is extremely difficult to get even standing room. In the Weat the cold has been felt very much, and it appears that last Standay night the frigidity of the temperature rather astonished the natives of Sparta, Wis, as the thermometer at one time stood at 31° below zero, and at Winona, Minn., it was 40° below; truly, a pleasant temperature to live in; in fact it required the heroism of a Spartan to endure it. In the Fastern States, in the vicinity of Hartford, Conn., the thermometer last Saturday ranged between 25° and 15° below, and such an excess of cold has not been experienced in that neighborhond since Jan. 26, 1867, when the thermometer stood as low as 35° below zero. In New York we flid, on referring to the tables kept at Delatour's in Wallact, that the average temperature of the path of

Average January. Average February, 7 a. m. 13 m. 31 6-7 39 11-28 25 9-14 36 13-14 7 a.m. 12 to. 29 2-31 36 19-31 26 22-31 36 17-31 27 18-31 34 7-31 28 11-31 34 10-31 33 5-31 40 32 3-7 42± 28 1-14 36 1-7 29 13-25 38 3-7 ...33 5-31 40 ...27 12-31 36 21-31 ...20 26 31 29 26-31 .24 23-31 32 13-31 151 COLDEST DAY IN EACH MONTH. H MONTH.
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THE BARLFORT AT THE GLYMPIC.

"Observation with extended view" should by no means go to see "Little Barefoot" at the Olympic. Its august eye would discern no satisfying substance in that exceedingly mild play. But those who are tolerant of the common and gentle graces of everyday life should see "Little Barefoot" and would surely enjoy it. The piece appeals to tender human sensibilities, and to none other. No cloud of sin overshadows it. No trail of the sepent shows almy on its surface. All is sunshine,—but for a few April showers. Little Barefoot interests us because for a weetness, her goodness, and her extraordinary animal spirits—very extraordinary, indeed, as interpreted by Miss Maggie Mitchell, who is all action, and lightness, like a dancing sunbeam. To see her in this character is to see a merry, borine, solf-sacrified, little creature, conscious of her surroundings—as sensitive youth ever handen best of an humble lot in life, with hengering for that love and joy which, seem the natural rights of youth. As Tempson apily says:

"If Narus petent for his power with the power in this remarkably vivantification of the continuous and tolls, and now and then weeps; but is pretty merry all the way, and it rewarded with happiness at last. The special collection of the co

Weather. Wind,
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Clear West.... Clear North L.

RECEPTION OF THE Y. M. C. ASSOCIATION. The reception of the Young Men's Christian Association at the corner of Twenty-second-st. and Fifthave. last evening was very largely attended by a refined ave last evening was very largely attended by a refined and interested assemblage, who seemed to thoroughly appreciate the really deserving entertainment provided for them. The principal feature of interest was the artistic display, the halls being lined with pictures from the casels of some of our best artists, among whom were Bierstaat, Huntingdon, Kenaett, Bradford, Lang, the brothers De Haso, Prof. Falrman R. Gignoux, White, and many others, including two water colors by Bellows, and a plaster medallion of the Rev. Dr. Adams by Fraree. Early in the evening Mr. Kimball sang to a pleasing accompaniment a popular ballad, and the audience were also favored at intervals during the evening by instrumental performances by Measrs. Ringsbury and Sampson—the former of whom is the director of the musical club connected with the association, who gave some quarters, which were well received. This association now numbers over 2,000 members, and has four branches extablished—one at Varick st., another at Harlem, a German branch at Ludlow st., and a colored branch at Wooster-st. They have a fine library at Twenty-accondst., where they occupy two floors, and have occasional lectures and a regular monthly meeting every fourth Monday. Under the efficient Presidency of Wim E. Dodge jr., sijed by the assiduous labors of R. R. McBurney, their Secretary, the organization is fast becoming one of the fixed institutions of our city; and it their reception last evening is a fair index of the spirit in which they intend to work they caunot fall to effect a favorable impression upon the public by the cheerful appet in which they present the merits of the cause they advocate. About 1250,000 has already been aubscribed toward the erection of a building to be their permanent headquarters, which comprehends a reading-room, il-brary, lecture hall, and class-rooms. and interested assemblage, who seemed to thoroughly

PLOT TO BURN THE AUBURN PRISON.

to go into the yard. He went to the tool-shop at once, and began overturning the coal-stoves, scattering the burning coals by shovelfuls among the chips and shavings on the floor. One of the foremen, Mr. Samuel Sheldon, eating his dunner, falled to see what was going on until Kaley stole toward him from behind with a murderous knife, when he sprang to his feet in season to escape. Before the flames had gained any considerable headway, however, a party arrived at the scene, and the various fires were extinguished. Kaley was commanded to surrender to the keepers, but he refused, evinced a determination to fight it out, and was shot down and secured. His would, by a revolver ball, was a little to the left and just below the heart, but did not prove fatal. It is reported that he confesses that other convicts were engaged in the plot to burn the prison.

INTERNAL REVENUE.

The most important matter connected with Revenue movements in this section of the country, is the seizure of steamships belonging to the various transportation companies engaged in carrying cotton to this city from Southern ports. Some time ago, the Treasury De partment became cognizant of the fact that the receipts from the tax upon cotton were not what they should be and efforts were immediately made to ascertain the cause and efforts were immediately made to ascertain the cause of the deficit, which, an investigation showed, amounted to almost \$2,000,000 in 1887. The Department communicated with Collector Shock, and that officer at once repaired to Washington. A consultation took place, the result of whick was, that Mr.C.R. Cornwall, a special Treasury agent, was assigned to the Thirty-second Collection District, at the request of Mr. Shock, to aid him in ferreting out the workers, alders, and abettors of the frauds which all the parties now knew had been and were still perpetrated. On returning to this city, the Collector and Treasury agent commenced operations, and already five steamships are seized on the charge of carrying cotton and delivering it to the owners without previously obtaining a permit from the Collector, in accordance with the fifth section of the act of July 13, 1866. The penalty authorized to be imposed for this effense is a line of \$100 for each bale of cotton thus irregularly delivered; and the law also provides that the vessel engaged in this illegal delivery shall be, upon conviction, forfeited to the Government. The penalties at present amount to over \$200,000, and if the transportation companies should be, after trial, adjudged guilty of a willful violation of the law, the forfeiture of the vessels would reasonably follow. It is possible, however, that the Companies may not have willfully erred, and that the Government will consent to a compromise; but however the Treasury may fare in reference to the past, these seizures have had a salutary effect in checking a continuance of the fraud, and the owners of vessels as soon as they arrive, make haste now to obtain permits before the cotton part of the cargo is delivered to consignees, by which course Collector Shook is made aware of the amount of cotton arriving in his district, and he is, as a consequence, enabled to collect the tax authorized by the law. To day an investigation is to take place in relation to the failure of some firms in this city to att of the deficit, which, an investigation showed, amounted FUELIC SCHOOLS IN RHODE ISLAND.

The Commissioner reports the number of public schools in Rhode Island last year as 515; the number of teachers employed, during the Winter term, 661; during the Summer term, 608. The number of pupils in

during the Summer term, 608. The number of pupils in attendance during the Winter months, 30,780, being an increase of 3,239 over 1866. The total school fund was \$224,830, which was an increase of \$97,039 over the amount appropriated for the year before, and \$120,000 finore than that of any other previous year. Over \$80,000 was expended in building school-houses. The Commissioner urges that the term time of the schools should be extended to 40 weeks in the year. This would leave but 12 weeks of rest and recreation to teacher and pupil out of 52. The Commissioner is in favor of obliging every town in the State to contribute a quota to the support of public schools equal to the whole of the proportion of the State appropriations.

LATEST SHIP NEWS. PORT OF NEW-YORK FEB. 13.

ARRIVED.

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Ship Caleron (Br.), Jones, Foo Chow Cet. 23, and Audier Now, 10, with teas to Everett & Co. Pessed the Capp of Good Hope Dec. 12; crossed the line Jan. 19, in lon. 33, 8

Bark Carlotte (of Torks Island), Wilkins, Miragoane 21 days, with log-wood to Ballett & Bliss.

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Schr. Brevort, Tayler, 2 days from Virginia.

BELOW.

Bark Joseph (Ham.), Christian, from Amoy.
Brig Matanas (Span.), from Matanas.
Saxor Hooc.—Sundown.—One ship in tow outside bar, and one ship in offing, bound in.

SAILED.

Steamships Chesapeake, for Fortland; Neptune, for Boston. SPOKEN.

Ship Album (of London), Dec. 12, of the Cape of Good Hope, from Shanghao for London.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

Boston, Feb. 12.—Arrived, steamships Concordia, New-Orleans; brig Marion, Cardense, C., Feb. 15.—Arrived, steamships Saragossa and Pa-tapaco, New-York, ship Calcutta, Portamouth' N. H.; schr. C. K. Ray-mout, New-York, Sarannam, Feb. 12.—Arrived, steamships Montgomery and San Sal-vador, New-York. Cleared, steamships Leo and Thames, New-York.

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